

**REMARKS**

The above Amendments and these Remarks are in reply to the Office Action mailed December 6, 2004.

Claims 1-73 were pending in the Application prior to the outstanding Office Action. In the Office Action, the Examiner issued a restriction requirement.

Applicant herein elects to prosecute Group I, Claims 1-25 and 39-70 in the present application.

In the event that generic claim is allowed, Applicants reserve the right to file additional claims directed toward the subject matter of the generic claim. Applicants also reserve the right to file divisional applications including withdrawn claims.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1325 for any matter in connection with this response, including any fee for extension of time, which may be required.

Respectfully submitted,

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